**The January Monthly Meeting of the Hawthorn Parish Council was held remotely using ZOOM on Monday 18th January 2021 at 7pm.**

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Cllr. Alan Askew (Chairman)

Cllr. George Vest (Vice - Chairman)

Cllrs Diane Hughes, Sheila Wilson, Carolyn Winter, Sheila Irving, Maxine Smith

DCC Cllr Angela Surtees

**Officer**: Lesley Swinbank (Parish Clerk)

Mr. Colin Keith (Member of the Public)

Mr. Brian Weatherall (DCC)

# Notice of Meeting

Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12 paragraph 10(2) of the LGA 1972

# Apologies

None

# Declarations of Interest

None

# Flooding near the old Rectory : Brian Weatherall DCC and Mr. Coin Keith (Local resident)

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Brian Weatherall to the meeting.

Mr. Weatherall gave details of the recent flooding problems at the north end of the village. He said that there has been flooding there over many years but this had been the most severe. Ongoing investigations are taking place including using CCTV in the drainage system. He said the water course runs through the junction. In addition there are some ecologist issues and discussions have also taken place with the local landowner – who has been carrying out some recent drainage work to his field.

Mr. Keith gave an outline of the flooding issues within his garden and also said he had been liaising with NWA – who have also been working on the sewer.

Mr. Weatherall said DCC would continue with the ongoing works and the situation would be monitored.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Weatherall and Mr. Keith for attending the meeting.

# Minutes:

**RESOLVED**

**To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held Monday December 14th, 2020**

# Matters of Information

## Cars parked on corner / junction causing obstructions.

DCC continue to work on this.

# Reports

## Police

No report was given

## DCC

The Chairman welcomed DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees who proceeded to give her report.

1. **Flooding Issues**

Cllr. Surtees said she had been concentrating on the flooding issues as discussed earlier. Cllr Surtees said there had been drainage works in the nearby fields and which had also caused some issues to the right of way.

1. **Landslip**

Cllr. Surtees gave information and a warning of a recent landslip on the nearby coastal walkway.

1. **Litter / rubbish on B1342 verges**

The problem of litter from takeaways along this area of the road was raised.

1. **Elections in May**

Cllr Surtees said DCC are preparing for local elections in May – unless these are again postponed by the government.

## Community Centre

Cllr. Sheila Wilson gave the report and said the centre remains closed due to the pandemic.

## Any other reports

None

# Public Participation

There were no comments.

# Correspondence

# Financial:

## To endorse the monies to be paid by the Clerk since the last meeting / Bank reconciliation

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| 101067 | 10/12/2020 | Church | Donation - | £300.00 |
| 101068 | 10/12/2020 | Amazon | Voucher best dressed house | £25.00 |

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| Business | £10,331.74 |  |
| Current | £12,676.69 |  |
| Total | £23,008.43 |  |
| Less u/p to date | £728.56 | **£22,279.87** |
| **Receipts To date** |  | **£9,282.74** |
| **Payments to date** |  | £7,681.00 |
| **Closing balances** |  | **£23,881.61** |
| Total | £26,967.99 |  |
| Less u/p to date | £3,086.38 | **£23,881.61** |

# Precept : 2021 / 20200

**RESOLVED**

# To approve the precept for 2021 / 2022 : To keep the same precept as 2019/2020 at £8,228.

**With the slight reduction in the Local Council Tax Support Grant but an increase in the Tax Base – this will result in a slight decrease in the Council Tax Band D from £42.37 to £42.22.**

# Training : Elections

The Clerk gave details of elections training on Tuesday 9th February and asked members to inform her if they wished to attend.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

# Current Planning Applications

Single Storey Rear Extension to 3 West View Hawthorn

**RESOLVED**

**No objections**

# Transport Plan : To consider

Details of the above had been circulated.

**Resolved**

**To receive the information.**

# Police precept consultation

Details of the above had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information.**

# New 60mph Speed Signs on B1342

A response has now been received from DCC in response to the issues raised by the Parish Council as a result of new 60mph speed signs being added to the lampposts on the B1342.

DCC have indicated that the signs are as a result of a request from a local resident and are a legal requirement in locations where street lighting is present and the speed limit is not 30 mph from DCC Cllr, George Vest expressed his concerns – and particularly as these new speed signs now encourage drivers to speed up.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information and retain as a standing item each month.**

# Events & Information

## Snowman / Best dressed House Competitions

**RESOLVED**

**To hold again in 2021.**

# Drop box Storage Costs

The Clerk reported that the limit re storage is now being approached.

**RESOLVED**

**To remove those files not used on a regular basis from drop-box and store on the council’s memory stick.**

# Date of the next meeting: Monday 15th February 2021

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.20pm